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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ADVISORY ACTION AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to an Advisory Action mailed on August 18, 2008 and to the Final Office Action mailed March 27, 2008. This paper is being submitted concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.